What is claimed is:

- 1. A hydrogenated copolymer obtained by hydrogenating a copolymer having a softening point falling in a range of 45 to 55°C determined by a ball & ring method, wherein the hydrogenated copolymer has a softening point of 85 to 95°C determined by the ball & ring method.
- The hydrogenated copolymer as described in claim
 1, wherein the copolymer is obtained from
 cyclopentadiene and/or dicyclopentadiene and a vinyl-substituted aromatic compound.
- 3. A production process for a hydrogenated

 copolymer having a softening point of 85 to 95°C

 determined by a ball & ring method, characterized by subjecting a copolymer having a softening point falling in a range of 45 to 55°C determined by the ball & ring method to hydrogenation treatment.

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4. The production process for a hydrogenated copolymer as described in claim 3, wherein the copolymer is obtained from cyclopentadiene and/or dicyclopentadiene and a vinyl-substituted aromatic compound.

- 5. A hot melt adhesive composition comprising the hydrogenated copolymer as described in claim 1.
- 5 6. The hot melt adhesive composition as described in claim 5, wherein the copolymer is obtained from cyclopentadiene and/or dicyclopentadiene and a vinyl-substituted aromatic compound.
- 7. The hot melt adhesive composition as described in claim 5 or 6, further comprising a base polymer and a plasticizer.

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